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PROGRAMMES/SCHEMES OF NATIONAL HORTICULTURE BOARD
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the programmes/schemes implemented by National Horticulture Board in Karnataka; and

(b) the amount provided to the State for the purpose during 2003-2004?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, through National Horticulture Board(NHB), is implementing the following programmes/Schemes in the country including the State of Karnataka:−

i) `Development of Commercial Horticulture through Production and Post Harvest Management`

ii) `Capital Investment Subsidy Scheme for Construction/Expansion/ Modernisation ofCold Storages and Storages for Horticulture Produce`

iii) Technology Development and Transfer for Promotion of Horticulture. The salientfeatures of the above Schemes are enclosed at Annexure.

(b) An amount of Rs. 106.67 lakhs has been provided under NHB schemes in the State of Karnataka during the year 2003-2004, up to 30.09.2003.

ANNEXURE

I. Development of Commercial Horticulture through Production and Post- Harvest Management.

Name of the Scheme/ Project Components Pattern of Assistance

i) Production
Related

ii) PHM/ Processing related
- High quality commercial horticulture crops
- Indigenous crops/produce, herbs
- Aromatic & Medicinal Plants
- Seed & Nursery
- Biotechnology, Tissue Culture
- Bio-pesticides
- Organic Foods
- Primary processing of products
- Estt. Of Hort. Health Clinics/ Laboratory (For Agriculture/Horticulture unemployed graduates)
- Consultancy Services
- Bee-keeping.
- Grading /Washing/Sorting/Drying/ Packing centers
- Pre-cooling Unit/Cool Stores
- Refer Van/Containers
- Sp.Transport Vehicle
- Retail Outlets
- Auction Platform
- Ripening curing chamber
- Market yard/rope ways
- Processing unit/ Radiation unit/VHT unit
- Hort. Ancillary industry e.g. tools, equipment, plastics, packaging etc.
- Crates, Cartons, Aseptic Packaging& Nets (50% subsidy)

- Back-ended capital subsidy not exceeding 20% of the project cost with a maximum limit of Rs 25 lakh per project. For the North-Eastern/ Tribal/Hilly Areas, maximum limit of subsidy would be Rs 30.00 lakh per project

II Capital Investment Subsidy Scheme for Construction/Expansion/ Modernisation of Cold Storages and Storages for Horticulture Produce

Components

Cold Storages including Controlled Atmosphere (CA) and Modified Atmosphere

(MA) StoresU, pre-cooling units and other Storages for onions, etc.

Pattern of Assistance

Under the Scheme back-ended Capital Investment Subsidy is provided to the eligible organisations @ 25 % of the project cost not exceeding Rs. 50.00 lakh per project and @ 33.33% of the project cost upto a ceiling of Rs. 60.00 lakh per project for North Eastern States.

III. Technology Development and Transfer for Promotion of Horticulture

- Introduction of New Technologies

- Visit of progressive farmers

- Experts Services from India/ Abroad
- Technology Awareness
- Organisation/participation in seminars etc.

- Udyan Pandit
- Publicity
- Observation-cum-study tours abroad
- Honorarium to Scientists for effective transfer of technology. 100% financial assistance upto Rs 10 lacs/project for production related and Rs.25.00 lakh to R&D efforts
- 2nd Class Sleeper Rail/ ordinary bus fare and Rs 100/day/farmer for a group of 30 farmers

- Actual basis

- Upto Rs 50,000/seminar
- Upto Rs 3.00 lakh for State, Rs 5.00 lakh for National and Rs 10.00 lakhs International event
- Rs 1.50 lakh
- On merit
- On actual basis

- Upto Rs 20,000/- for each expert upto 5 experts/ project

Eligible Organizations

The eligible promoters under the above schemes shall include NGO`s, Association of Growers,Individuals, Partnership/Proprietary Firms Companies, Corporations, Cooperatives,Agricultural Produce Marketing Committees, Marketing Boards/ Committees, Municipal Corporations/ Committees, Agro-Industries Corporations, SAU`s and other concerned R&Dorganizations. Individuals, SAUs and other concerned R&D organisations are not eligible forthe cold storage capital subsidy scheme. However, `individuals` are included as eligible organizations for onion storages only in those cases where bank/FI financing is involved.